

REMARKS

Applicants thank the Examiner for holding a telephone interview with applicants' attorney on December 4, 2007. During the interview, the Examiner indicated that, while U.S. Patent No. 7,160,388 B2 appears to raise an issue of non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting, a terminal disclaimer will overcome the potential rejection. Applicants herewith submit a terminal disclaimer in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion. Accordingly, applicants respectfully request a notice of allowance.

In addition, applicants submit the amendments to claims 31 and 34 which were previously suggested to the Examiner for an Examiner's amendment after a telephone interview held on October 18, 2007. During that interview, the Examiner stated that the claims of this application appeared to be allowable in view of the references so far cited, except for claims 33 and 34. The Examiner objected to the format and the language of claims 33 and 34, respectively, which promoted the submission of the above amendments. Accordingly, applicants respectfully request entry of this amendment and a notice of allowance.

In the event the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicants petition for any required relief including extensions of time and authorize the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing **Docket No. 204552034000**.

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